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# News, Views and Comments

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## COMPEX 1961 — *The Combined Philatelic Exhibition of Chicagoland—May 27-29*

**T**HE GROWING importance of the COMPEX exhibition, now in its third year, is evident from the annual enlargement of the participating groups and the more expansive plans undertaken each year. The large attendance these affairs draw are testimony also to the effectiveness of this undertaking.

The exhibition is being held this year from May 27 through 29, again at the Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, where it will occupy two floors. The theme, as mentioned elsewhere in this issue, is "Intra-Hemispheric Solidarity" and this slogan is featured in the cachets which are being issued for the event. There are to be different cachets for each of the three days of the show, all of them emphasizing the solidarity theme. Designer of the cachets is *Paul Clinton Rohloff*, of Oak Park, Illinois, who

is a graduate of the Art Institute of Chicago and a former lecturer there. He has been a collector since childhood, and was president of the *Austin Philatelic Society* for the years 1950 and 1960.

There will be metered covers as well as those franked with stamps, and for the precancel collector there will be a precancelled postcard for each day of the show. An advertisement for these various cacheted covers will be found in this issue of STAMPS.

*Postmaster General William Hamilton*, of Canada, and *Postmaster General J. Edward Day*, of the U.S.A., will be guests of honor and speakers at the annual banquet held Saturday, May 27th, also in the LaSalle Hotel.

There will be a thousand frames of stamps in the exhibition, and forty bourse tables.

Chicago has long been a favorite convention and trade show center, owing to its central location and

travel convenience no matter what form of transportation is taken from any part of the country. Within the city there are ample transportation facilities, and for those going by automobile there are many parking lots. As the COMPEX falls on the Memorial Day weekend many will find it convenient to visit the show on this long weekend. They will be well rewarded for their efforts to attend.

Congratulations are due all of the directors of the show for the excellent plans they are working so hard to carry out. A special note of thanks on our part goes to *Frank J. Kovarik* for acting as guest editor for this issue of STAMPS. *Frank* always does a superlative job with anything he undertakes, and we sincerely appreciate his acting in this capacity for our COMPEX issue.

## *Union of Polish Philatelists in Great Britain Exhibition*

**T**HE *Union of Polish Philatelists in Great Britain* held its annual exhibition POLPHILEX 1961 from March 24 to 26 at the Polish Y.M.C.A. in London. The theme was *The Refugee in Philately*.

The exhibition well illustrated the causes of mass emigration and dispersal on a scale unrecorded in history, showing distinctly that postal issues and postally used entires can become documents of events.

Exhibits from Australia, the United States, and the United Kingdom covered all aspects of Polish philately, and were a good review of philatelic achievements by those interested in this field.

The exhibits were divided into the Honorary, Competitive, and Junior Classes, with a special philatelic literature display. The Honorary Class included exhibits from the collection of *M. A. Bojanowicz*, winner of many awards, and most recently the Grand Prix at POLSKA '60 in Warsaw. Also in this section were high award-winning exhibits of *J. S. Capes*, *J. Luczywek*, and *J. Binden*. All exhibitors in this group were awarded Honorary Class Medals by



The Hon. Otto Kerner, Governor of Illinois (right), presenting proclamation declaring week of May 28, 1961, as Illinois Stamp Collectors Week, in honor of the Combined Philatelic Exhibition of Chicagoland, May 27-29. In the center is Dr. James J. Matejka, Jr., president of COMPEX; and at the left, Ben Reeves, honorary chairman.



the Committee in charge of the exhibition.

The Jury, consisting of *M. A. Bojanowicz*, *J. S. Capes*, *R. A. Kleiner*, *V. Sutcliffe*, and *Dr. T. T. Prorok*, report they had a difficult task in awarding the prizes because of the general excellence of the exhibits. The following were finally selected: Award of Distinction of the Union of Polish Philatelists and gold medal for the best exhibit in the competitive class went to *Dr. L. Bieberstein* of London, who showed Cracow issues. The American Philatelic Society's Award of Distinction went to the second best exhibit, that of *A. Szebel*, of U.S.A., for his historical diagram of postal services during the occupation 1939-1944. Silver medal with congratulations of the Jury to *J. Luczywek*, London, showing P.O.W. Interned and Displaced Persons Camps on postally used entires. Silver Medal to *J.Z.E. Berek*, London, issues of the Polish "People's Republic" 1945. Bronze medal with congratulations to *Mrs. Kay Horowicz*, London, issues of Polish Government in London during World War II. Bronze Medal to *P. Bol*, London, Polish National Costumes (thematic). *J.Z.E. Berek*, London, received a Diploma of Mer-

it with congratulations for Polish Government Abroad (France-England 1939-44); Diplomas of Merit went also to *C. Malecki*, Australia, P.O.W. Camps and II Polish Corps, and to *P. Bol*, London, Defense of the Post Office at Gdansk. A consolation prize went to *Z. Wlodarski*, London, for his study of the Easter issue P.O.W. Camp Oflag. In the Junior Class *J. Gawron*, London, (sports) and *Miss M. M. Bokiewicz*, London, (history of Poland in stamps).

The exhibition Committee was congratulated by many visitors for the high standard of organization and clarity in displaying the exhibits.

—H. L. LINDQUIST

## The Royal Visit to Rome

IN connection with the Royal Visit to Rome a stamp exhibition was held from April 24 to May 5, 1961, at the headquarters of the British Council in Rome. The theme was the first issue of definitive postage stamps of the Kingdom of Italy, engraved and printed by De la Rue & Co. The exhibition was arranged and produced by *Robson Lowe* and his colleagues.

The first definitive postage stamps, both fiscal and postal, were printed in London

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by De la Rue & Co. and issued on December 1st, 1863. Two different dies of the King's head were engraved, one by *Leonard Wyon* and one by *Joubert de la Ferte*. This fact is believed to have been a new philatelic discovery which was made at 50 Pall Mall when the De la Rue exhibits were being mounted and arranged. The first issue may be divided into two master dies of the King's head—the 15 centesimi and the 60 centesimi coming from one die engraved by *Leonard Wyon* and the other values from the die engraved by *Jean Ferdinand Joubert de la Ferte*.

In 1863, Italian craftsmen were sent to London to learn security engraving and printing from De la Rue. The British firm cooperated further by equipping the new factory at Turin, the *Officia Carte-Valori*, with machinery and by training the staff. In 1866, the printing plates were transferred from London to Turin, and for nearly thirty years, De la Rue continued to supply equipment. Three of the original printing presses are still in use today in the State Printing Works in Rome, although they are no longer used for printing postage stamps.

The curious history has been illustrated from the London Archives, letters, and confidential reports between the authorities in Turin and De la Rue, while for the stamp collectors' envious eyes, there are essays and the issued stamps in imperforate sheets.

Further exhibits were contributed by *Dr. Enzo Diena* of Rome who showed two volumes of the Italian records concerning De la Rue's work, the *Marchese Giaquili Ferrini* of Florence (whose contribution included the provisional postage stamps, and the De la Rue stamps unused and used, both at home and abroad), *Doctor Mario Tomasini* (who showed a selection of the postal forgeries of the 15 centesimi of 1863—a personal study which has revealed forty different attempts to defraud the Italian post office) and the State Printing Works in Rome (who loaned the original dies from which the plates were made).

In the records of stamp production, the events surrounding the first Italian stamps are unusual, and this exhibition demonstrates the close commercial and cultural ties between the two countries begun during the Risorgimento and which continues today.

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### UNITED STATES

Jan. 11—Richmond, Virginia—4c Patrick Henry Credo.  
 Jan. 13 — Buffalo, New York — re-designed 15c international airmail.  
 Jan. 26—Washington, D. C.—4c and 8c Mahatma Gandhi Champion of Liberty  
 Feb. 2 — Salt Lake City, Utah — 4c Range Conservation  
 Feb. 3—Chappaqua, N. Y.—4c Horace Greeley in Famous American format  
 Apr. 12 — Charleston, S. C.—4c Fort Sumter  
 May 10—Council Grove, Kansas — 4c Kansas Statehood  
 June 16 — Johnstown, Penna.—11c Air Letter Sheet  
 July 11—Washington, D. C.—Denomination not announced—Sen. George W. Norris centennial  
 Requests for first day covers of U.S. issues must be postmarked at least five days in advance of issuance date of stamps or they will not be serviced.

### UNITED NATIONS

Feb. 13—4c & 8c—Int'l Court of Justice.  
 Apr. 17—4c & 7c International Monetary Fund  
 June 5—30c definitive  
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## Irish Airlines Cover With 25th Anniversary Commemoratives

THE Irish Postal Administration will issue two commemorative stamps early in June in the denominations of 1/3d, the airmail rate per half ounce to the U.S.A.; and 6 pence, the rate for mail by air from Ireland to all of Europe. A special brochure has been prepared depicting the history of the Irish International Airlines, whose 25th anniversary the stamps commemorate. This will be sent in a specially designed envelope, mailed at Dublin, with three of the commemorative stamps affixed, on the first day of issue, to all persons sending their name and address, together with 50c per cover to the Philatelic Department, Irish International Airlines, 572 Fifth Ave., New York 36, New York. Since the brochure weighs almost an ounce it is necessary to use double postage on the envelope. Orders must be sent to reach the Airlines by May 22, 1961.

## Carlos Lenze Suffers Heart Attack

CARLOS LENZE, of El Centro Filatelico, Madrid, Spain, suffered a heart attack on April 16, 1961, and it will be several weeks before he can get back to directing his business. In the meanwhile his staff will be taking care of affairs, but he has asked that any of his American clientele bear with him if some delay occurs in filling of orders or answering correspondence.

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*Stanley F. Buschman*, of San Francisco, California, sends us a cover postmarked at Stamps, Ark., dated May 6, 1961, and inscribed to commemorate the 121st birthday of the introduction of stamps in Great Britain, May 6, 1840.

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From *Charles W. Birdy* we have a cacheted cover for the USS Kitty Hawk (CVA 63), commissioned April 29, 1961, and bearing a USS Kitty Hawk postmark and April 29 date.

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*Kenneth Hinson* sends a cover from the Stamp & Coin Show, May 6-7, at Nashville, Tennessee, with cachet designed by him; he also designed and printed the souvenir sheet prepared for the show. This depicts the 3c W. D. McNich Postmaster Provisional stamps of Nashville, issued 100 years ago.

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*Peter E. Rentschler*, 1551 Lincoln Avenue, Hamilton, Ohio, sends us tear sheets from *U.S.S.R.*, a magazine published by the Soviet Union in the English language for sale in the United States, and which is sold at various newsstands in the U.S.A. The lower section of the colorful pages publicizing a U.S.S.R. Textile Exhibition in Moscow, has illustrations in color of sports commemorative stamps of the U.S.S.R.

## Manolita Moral Lopez Garcia

WE LEARN with deepest regrets from *Rafael R. Garcia*, of Havana, Cuba, that his wife, *Manolita*, passed away on April 16, 1961. She was 55, and had been ill for some three years.

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The exhibition is not confined to philately, but includes a great variety of collections, such as bookplates, dolls, matchboxes, and many others; there will be over 175 different types of collections of members of the Dutch society. Hon. Secretary of the exhibition is Mr. L. Akershoek, *Columbusstraat 84, The Hague, Netherlands*.

It is expected that collectors from all over the world will visit the exhibition. Those who plan to attend are advised to contact the *Dutch Tourist Service, Parkstraat 38, The Hague, Netherlands*, concerning hotel accommodations or other tourist information desired.

During *Curiosa* '61 a temporary post office will be installed and a special cancellation stamp will be put in use each day in keeping with the special focus of interest for that day, such as "Aviation Day."

Henry M. Goodkind has been appointed United States Commissioner for the Aerophilatelic exhibition, and he will also be a member of the Board of International Judges. Mr. Goodkind is editor of the *Aero Philatelist Annals* and the *Collectors Club Philatelist*. Further information appeared on page 11 of our issue of April 1, 1961.

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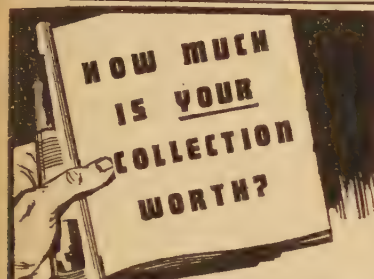
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### NEW AIR LETTER SHEET JUNE 16

An 11-cent international air letter sheet, to meet the new rate effective July 1, 1961, will be initially placed on sale June 16, 1961, at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, in conjunction with the tenth annual convention of the American Topical Association.

Collectors desiring first day cancellations may send the name and address of intended recipients, together with 11 cents per item desired, to the Postmaster, Johnstown, Pennsylvania. Outer envelopes or wrappers should bear the identifying annotation "First Day, 11-cent Air Letter Sheet."

Because of the relatively short period of time between the announcement and the scheduled issuance date, the usual five-day-in-advance provision will be waived.

### SOUTHERN AIRWAYS MAIL INAUGURAL

On or about June 1, 1961, Southern Airways will inaugurate airmail service at Clarksville, Dyersburg, Paris and Union City, Tennessee, and Pascagoula, Mississippi. Official cachets will be furnished the Postmasters at each of the offices named above for application to philatelic mail dispatched on the first flights in each direction.

The usual philatelic treatment of first flight cover requests will be provided. Patrons desiring to receive covers bearing the post office cachets should forward envelopes properly addressed and bearing domestic airmail stamps to the post offices involved, to reach them at least five days prior to the actual flight date.

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In view of a further postponement of the Inter-American Conference, originally scheduled to be held in Quito, Ecuador, February 1, 1960, the Post Office Department has authorized the Washington, D. C., Post Office to return all first day cover requests to patrons. Because of the large number of requests which have been received, this operation will very possibly require several weeks.

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By JAMES J. MATEJKA, JR., M. D.

**I**N THE past three years the members of the board of directors of COMPEX have developed acumen with regard to the philatelic as well as the business know-how as to how to stage a successful exhibition. Since 1958, when COMPEX was born, many ideas have been tried, some good and others not so good, but in 1961 there is found the culmination of our three years of experience.

Now why a COMPEX? Why a combined philatelic exhibition? Primarily, for economic reasons. Secondly, it was generally agreed that there were too many small stamp shows in the Chicago metropolitan area. Bourse dealers were resisting support of these frequent exhibitions, which did not give them time to build up their stock from one show to another.

In 1961 twelve Chicagoland exhibitions have grouped together and pledged themselves to entertain the viewing public in a manner never before possible. Individually these organizations would not ever have been able to stage a show of this scope. United as they are in a true democratic fashion, these clubs will

produce a 1961 exhibition that will be long remembered by those who have the privilege of attending.

Every exhibition should have a theme around which it evolves. In the past we of COMPEX have used the Geophysical Year, the Pan American Games, and People-to-People Program as the timely motif. Could any subject have been selected this year that would be more timely than "Intra-Hemispheric Solidarity?"

Perhaps it was this theme that was a strong factor in the decision of *Postmaster General J. Edward Day* and his staff to announce they were interested in coming to COMPEX. Perhaps it was this theme that has caused the Postmaster General of Canada and Mexico to show more than a passive interest in sending their representatives to Chicago during COMPEX to indicate a belief in the necessity for intra-hemispheric solidarity.

COMPEX 1961 will have a philatelic station of the United States Post Office where visitors will be able to purchase current issues on sale at the Philatelic Agency in Washington, D. C. There will be a special COMPEX station cancella-

tion for the three days of the show. There will be on display a special postal exhibit from the U. S. Post Office Department, showing the stages of production of recent commemoratives. Neither the panels nor the display cases have hitherto been shown in the mid-west. For the first time since the last international exhibition held in the United States, the Scandinavian countries will show special official collections from their postal museums. These rarities have been made available through the efforts of the *Scandinavian Collectors Club*. These exhibits will include material from Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Greenland. The respective consuls of these countries will be present at the annual banquet on Saturday, May 27th.

As this is the "Bar Mitzvah" year of the State of Israel, a program rich in the philatelic history is planned. The Consul General of Israel will be present. Colored sound movies will be presented. An official Israel postal exhibit will be displayed in the Press Gallery, where the finest stamps of Israel and its forerunners will be on display through the courtesy of the *Israel-Palestine P. S.*



COMPEX Board of Directors: (Seated, left to right—Earl Wellman, treas; Roger Swanson, vice pres.; Dr. James J. Matejka, pres.; Ben Reeves, hon. chairman; Howard Selzer, secretary. Standing—Joseph Jamecka, Fred Bell, Ted Light, Herbert Anderson, Louis Reich, Richard Stevens, John Gaydos, Victor Hanson, Harold Kann, C. P. Jorgensen, Donald Cramer, Edward Benson, Al Egan, Gustav Conrad, Bernard Hennig, Sidney Shayman, L. Cecil Love, John Matschinegg. Not pictured, August Pritzlaff, Frank Kovarik, and Dr. Earl Jacobsen.



# COMPEX '61 Program of Activities

SATURDAY, MAY 27

- 10:00 AM—Opening First Day of COMPEX Exhibition and Bourse, 18th and 19th Floors, Hotel LaSalle.
- 10:00 AM—Opening of United States Post Office, Foyer, 19th Floor.
- 11:00 AM—Meter Discussion, LaSalle Room, 18th Floor.
- 4:00 PM—Guided Tour of American Topical Exhibits, Century Room, 19th Floor.
- 6:30 PM—COMPEX Reception, Illinois Room, Mezzanine Floor.
- 7:30 PM—COMPEX Banquet, Presentation of Grand Awards, Illinois Room, Mezzanine Floor.
- 9:00 PM—COMPEX Dance, Illinois Room, Mezzanine Floor.
- 10:00 PM—Closing of Exhibition and Bourse.

SUNDAY, MAY 28

- 10:00 AM—Opening Second Day of COMPEX Exhibition and Bourse.
- 10:00 AM—Opening of United States Post Office, COMPEX STATION, Foyer, 19th Floor.
- 11:00 AM—Meter Discussion, LaSalle Room, 18th Floor.

\* For location of these activities inquire at COMPEX Information Booth.

- 2:00 PM—Jack Knight Air Mail Society Auction\*.  
Czechoslovak Philatelic Society Auction immediately follows\*.
- 3:00 PM—Israel-Palestine Society movie, "A Stamp Is Born"\*
- 3:30 PM—Scandinavian Get-Together Scandinavian Hospitality Rm.
- 4:00 PM—Guided Tour of American Topical Exhibits, Century Room, 19th Floor.
- 7:30 PM—Germany Philatelic Society Meeting\*.
- 8:00 PM—Philatelic Movies\*.
- 10:00 PM—Closing of Exhibition and Bourse.

MONDAY, MAY 29

- 10:00 AM—Opening Third Day of COMPEX Exhibition and Bourse.
- 10:00 AM—Opening of United States Post Office, COMPEX STATION, Foyer, 19th Floor.
- 2:30 PM—Jack Knight Air Mail Society and Elmhurst Philatelic Society "Tour of Mexico" Color Slides\*.
- 3:00 PM—Philatelic Movies\*.
- 6:00 PM—Closing of COMPEX Exhibition and Bourse.

Throughout the exhibits on both floors of the exhibition there will be shown photographs of philatelic personalities from the famous camera of Peoria's eye surgeon, Dr. Charles D. Sneller. I am sure that viewing these photos will impress visitors with the far-reaching international character of philately.

The United Nations has sent to COMPEX several frames of its fine material in which solidarity is the central theme. Special brochures will be available to the guests at the show.

An exhibition of the scope of COMPEX must have a banquet. In 1960 a dinner-dance was tried for the first time with excellent success. The same eight-piece orchestra, with the South American flavor, will furnish music, and two vocalists in addition. Some 200 people attended the affair last year. With the star attractions this time the banquet committee, headed by vice president Roger Swanson, has geared this year's dinner-dance for some 400 people.

As in the past, we will publish a COMPEX directory of some 200 pages. Original philatelic articles, written by members of the twelve

clubs, will be published in the directory, together with the names and addresses of all members of each club that belongs to COMPEX. Data pertaining to the exhibition as a whole will also be included. This mammoth task is under the direct supervision of *Frank J. Kovarik*, a man who has done so fine a job as the editor of the *Czechoslovak Specialist* for the past twenty years. These directories always find their place on the bookshelves of collectors because of the more than timely interest of their contents.

As to the exhibition itself, over 1,000 frames of stamps and postal history will be on display with a total net value of over \$2,500,000. Each member-club of COMPEX is allotted a section of the 18,000 square feet of floor space of the Hotel LaSalle's 18th and 19th floors. The maximum number of frames are entered in the respective spaces so that each club can tell its own philatelic story. The exhibit chairman is *John F. Matschinneg*.

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## A Study of Position 78 of the 20 Heller Stamp of the First Issue

By JOHN VELEK

IN AN article published in STAMPS of April 2, 1949, I reported a newly discovered retouch of the large period after the numeral on the 20 heller stamp of the "Hradcany" issue of Czechoslovakia. Of the many prominent plate varieties on the first issue, this "period

after 20" has been one of the best known. I had succeeded in plating the first two plates of this stamp and in my study of the plate markings, had discovered the retouch.

Over the years I have acquired more material, and later study indicated that altogether four plates

were used in producing the 20 heller stamp, and that the dot after the 20 had existed on all four plates.

Czechoslovakia was declared a republic on October 28, 1918, and the Graphic Union of Prague was pressed into service to print its first stamps. With no previous experience in stamp production and with wartime materials and conditions prevailing, a rather crude job resulted. Many glaring plate varieties exist and in the rush to get stamps into circulation, not much effort was made to retouch them.

The first 20 heller stamps were issued on December 30, 1918, and they were valid for postage until April 30, 1921. Four plates were used and following is a description of position 78 and its retouches from each plate.

*Plate I*—Unknown unretouched. I have never seen a stamp from Plate I with the dot after the value figure. As far as I know it was retouched before going to press.

*Plate I Retouch*—All that remains of the dot after the 20 is a thickening of the lower right side of the tablet line. In the retouching, a small piece was broken out of the upper right tablet line. The Plate I stamp is identified by a break in the upper left heart and in the right side of the sun. There is a nick in the panel between the "P" and "O" of POSTA. (Fig. 1).

*Plate II*—This plate had the large dot after the 20 throughout most of its life. The break in the top frame between the "S" and "T" of POSTA and the two small breaks in the sun identify this plate. (Fig. 2).

*Plate II Retouch*—The dot must have been retouched near the end of the life of the Plate, as the retouch is very rare. A crude job was done, leaving a short line where the dot had been. (Fig. 3).

*Plate III*—this plate is identified by a small break in the right side of the sun and a thick spot in the bottom frame line below the left heart. (Fig. 4).

*Plate III Retouch*—In this case the retouch is found as often as the variety so the work must have been



Illustrations referred to in accompanying article, identified by Figure numbers.



done about midway in the life of the Plate. Here again a short line was left where the dot had been and the right side of the tablet line was damaged. (Fig. 5).

*Plate IV*—Position 78 on this plate is identified by breaks in the left frame and in both right corners. Of course, it also has the dot after the 20. (Fig. 6).

*Plate IV Retouch*—I have never found a copy of this stamp with the dot retouched and would be interested in seeing a stamp with the plate marks of this position but without the dot.

One point of interest remains. Plates I and II were used together and Plates III and IV were also used as a pair. The variation in the timing of the retouches poses a real mystery.

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# Revenue Stamps of Mexico

By **RICHARD B. STEVENS**  
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**M**EXICO offers an excellent opportunity for beginner or would-be specialist in revenue stamps. There are several different series, and many also contain district overprints similar to the nineteenth century postage stamps of Mexico.

Three major series comprise the majority of Mexican revenues. These are the Documentaries (Documentos y Libros), the Internal Revenue (Renta Interior), and the Federales (Contribucion Federal).

The Documentary series began in 1874 and terminated in 1914-15. The Internal Revenue series appeared in 1885, and the Federales in 1874; both have continued to the present year, with some interruptions and duplications during the Madero revolution of 1913-17.

The wealth of varieties in Mexican revenues results from the concurrent use of several series for different imposts; also, because a new set is issued in each series for every calendar or fiscal year, in order accurately to show the year's income.

As a whole, Mexican revenues show high quality workmanship, appropriate designs, and a variety of

motifs. The early issues are quite large, enabling elaborate detail work. The early designs are chiefly portraits of national heroes. In the 1880's-1890's the stamps were smaller and less elaborate; often they show the Liberty head, an alighting eagle, or an allegorical design.

Strong national spirit is noted in later designs. The postage series "Pro Universidad" of 1934 (Scott #697-706) bore designs which had appeared earlier on revenue stamps: scenes, historic spots, pre-Columbian temples and buildings, and reproductions of historical paintings.

The overprinted district name has been an invariable feature of revenues from the first issue to date; in fact, a stamp is not valid without it. The fiscal districts are far more numerous, as they are the "mistris" or "Municipies" into which each state is subdivided, corresponding to our counties.

On the first ten issues of documentaries a narrow blank space was left at the bottom of the design for the district name. During the years 1874-1884, not only was there uniformity in the position of the name on all districts, but also an approach to uniformity in the size and style of type used. Since 1888 the district name has been applied in every possible position, style, type, and color of ink. In large cities the name is often printed on entire sheets in one operation, usually in vertical position, but in small towns it is applied with a metal or rubber stamp, vertically or diagonally. On the

large type stamps of the early Federales issues, the overprint is often found on the back of the stamp, and in many cases the cancellation is on the back.

Several special series ran for shorter periods of time, "Avanos", or customs stamps, were large and square in size (40 to 44mm), were issued in eleven or twelve varieties, and ran to the 1,000 pesos value. Beginning in 1885 only eight annual series were issued. For three years thereafter, documentary or internal revenue stamps were issued for customs, distinguished by "advance de on", followed by the name of the port, and the round hole punched in them as a cancellation.

Taxes for the benefit of primary schools were represented by the 1889-1903 crudely printed annual sets without talons. Taxes on woven goods and textiles (Hilaza y Tejidos) were in force from 1893-1914, giving some twenty annual sets with talon.

Production of precious metals was taxed from 1895 to 1914, and the tax was paid in stamps of 4 and 10 centavos, 1, 10, and 100 pesos. (High values are commoner than low ones). State and municipal issues number over 500 varieties. There is a long series of tobacco stamps and an irregular issue of public health stamps.

Since the revolution, the overprints on internal revenue stamps sometimes are printed, sometimes applied by hand separately or along with the district overprint. The oldest overprints antedate the revolution, having been used to collect the very remunerative tax on mining property. Internal revenue stamps from 1892 to the revolution may be found with overprint "Impuesto Minero" (Mining tax) in black, red, or magenta, and extending across the stamp and talon. These must not be confused with overprint "Puin Oro" (Valuation in Gold) or "Oro y Plata" (Gold and Silver), which merely indicated that they could not be bought with depreciated paper money.

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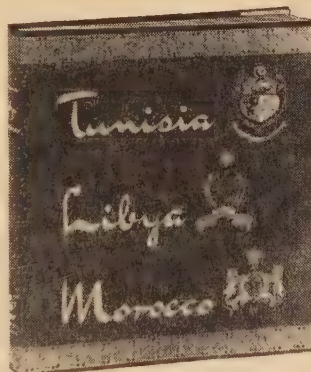
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The revolution of 1913-17 found each of the struggling leaders providing a series of stamps to be used in collecting established taxes of the country. The first of typeset revenues printed in 1913 in Harinosillo, Sonora, the same time as "White seal" postage stamps (Scott #321-329) and in similar form, ten stamps to the sheet in two tete-beche rows, in two colors without gum. These were followed by the "green seal" issue with ten stamps to a sheet, and later by "anvil seal" stamps of typeset sheets of forty. Similar stamps were printed at the same time for use in Sinoloa (white seals only), and in Baja California (coach seals only).

The "Conventionist" government of Eulalio Gutierrez issued a series in Chihuahua. These were very simple typeset stamps in sheets of 36, small, and fed through the press twice. Another series ("Communes") was issued in Chihuahua; seven types of each value can be distinguished in these wrong-font numerals, and there are variations in settings. A little later some equally crude revenues were printed in Oaxaca on the backs of old printed forms, such as were in use for the Oaxaca postage stamps. A unique feature of these is that the stamps of the bottom row lie at right angles to the rest of the sheet.

The first effort to have revenue stamps printed outside of Mexico was made by Carranza, who ordered from a firm in San Antonio, Texas, a series of postage stamps and of revenues. It happened that the revenue stamps were delivered first and at a time when new postage stamps were badly needed. A supply of the revenue stamps was therefore turned over to the post offices with the talon but without district overprint. The issue thus achieved a status as postage stamps (Scott #347-353). It was short-lived owing to the arrival of the companion series

of postage stamps inscribed "Tran-sitero" (Scott #354-361). Another series of revenue stamps was printed in the United States as a companion to the Denver postage issue. Stamps of very similar design were afterwards printed in Mexico; in the Denver set the talon is rouletted, and in the "Mexican Denver" set it is perforated.

In a number of cases older issues of revenues were surcharged for use during the revolutionary period. If a Mexican stamp bears a year date it is not valid after the end of that year. In no instance has the use of a dated postage stamp, envelope or revenue stamp ever been extended to a later year without the surcharge, "Habilitada" (Renewed), and new date. (See Scott #667-673, 676-681, O31-36). The internal revenue issue of 1912-13 was widely used during the revolution with the overprint, "Habilitada 1914-15".

The whole field of Vera Cruz revenues issued by the United States occupation government in 1914, and the Mexican government, is another fascinating study. All United States revenue collectors and all Mexican collectors will find these a whole field in themselves and a welcome addition to their present collections.

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  - window in sizes No. 6¾, 9, and 10.
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  - regular in sizes No. 6¾ and 10.
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And they sell like crazy! This in turn forces the prices of Roumania Topicals up! Up! And up! Just look at the demand and rising prices of the Brussels Fair, Olympic sets and the hard to find Air Mails.

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## U. S. Notes

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The Department, on October 2, 1959, announced that it would issue a 10-cent airmail stamp to mark the holding of the Inter-American Conference. Since international airmail rates will be increased effective July 1, 1961, there will be no valid use for the intended 10-cent international airmail stamp.

In the event the Inter-American Conference is firmly scheduled for a future date, the Post Office Department will review the desirability of issuing a special stamp to mark the event.

The Philatelic Sales Agency, in Washington, D. C., returned all orders for uncanceled 10-cent Inter-American Conference commemorative airmail stamps as of February 6, 1960.

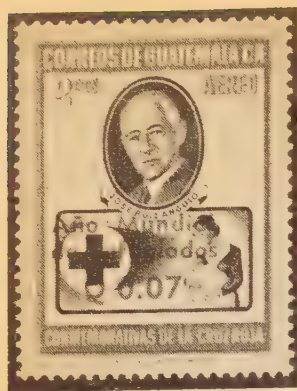
### SLOGAN CANCELLATIONS

Albany, Oregon, will utilize a special slogan cancellation from time of receipt through July 4, 1961, reading "WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TIMBER CARNIVAL JULY 2-3-4," and Muskegon, Michigan, will have two die hubs in use from June 1 through July 8, 1961, with the wording "GREATER MUSKEGON'S SEAWAY FESTIVAL JUNE 30-JULY 8."

East Saint Louis, Illinois, will have two special canceling die hubs in use from May 22 through October 22, 1961, reading "EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL. CENTENNIAL 1861-1961." Grand Junction, Colorado, is to have two die hubs for postmarking use from May 24 through December 31, 1961, "50th ANNIVERSARY COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT 1911-1961," and Anchorage, Alaska, also will have two die hubs from June 1 through June 30, 1961, "ALASKA FESTIVAL OF MUSIC ANCHORAGE, ALASKA JUNE 12-29, 1961."

Bridgeport, Connecticut, is to utilize two die hubs June 1 through July 8, 1961, "1961 BARNUM FESTIVAL JULY 1-JULY 8 BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT." Pontiac, Michigan, is to have a single hub June 1 through June 24, 1961, with the wording "CITY OF PONTIAC, MICH. 1861 CENTENNIAL 1961 JUNE 17-24."

Another special slogan cancel die hub will be used at Santa Barbara, California, from June 15 through August 13, 1961, with the wording "SANTA BARBARA FIESTA DAYS AUGUST 9-13," while Seneca Falls, New York, will have a die hub in use July 1 through August 13, 1961, reading "ATTEND THE AQUA FESTIVAL AUG. 11, 12, 13."



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## Ceremony Luncheon for New United Nations 30c Stamp

A CEREMONY and luncheon will be held on Monday, June 5, 1961, at the United Nations Headquarters, in observance of the first day of issue of the new 30c definitive stamp recently announced by the United Nations Postal Administration. The American Air Mail Society will act as joint sponsors with the UNPA in the presentation of the first day program. The AAMS Committee assisting with this event is Geo. D. Kingdom, Chairman, Stuart Malkin, L. B. Gatchell, Geo. W. Angers, Joseph L. Eisendrath, Jr., Dr. James J. Matejka, Jr., Samuel S. Goldsticker, Jr., John J. Smith, Ruth T. Smith, and Robert W. Murch, president.

Under the editorship of Mr. Gatchell, the A.A.M.S. is producing an eight-page souvenir brochure, the central theme of which will be the new stamp, which shows a collection of flags in several colors, on a light gray background. Herbert M. Sanborn, of the UN Composition Unit, and the designer of the new stamp, is assisting with the make-up of the brochure. Mounted in the brochure will be a first day cover designed by the European office of the United Nations and known as the official Geneva UN first day cover. Space will be provided for the mounting of either a mint single or a mint imprint block of four of the new stamp. This attractively printed and illustrated collector's item will be a handsome addition to every UN collection and can

be ordered from Ruth T. Smith, 102 Arbor Rd., Riverton, New Jersey. When ordering, if a mint single of the stamp is wanted, remit \$1.25; if a mint imprint block of four is preferred, remit \$2.50.

The Ceremony will be held at eleven A.M. Monday morning, June 5th, and is open to the public. Admission tickets can be secured at the Information Desk in the main lobby of the General Assembly Building, 45th St. Entrance.

On the program representing the United Nations will appear David Vaughan, Director of General Services, and D. T. Clements, Chief, UNPA. Robert W. Murch and George D. Kingdom will speak, as representatives of the A.A.M.S., and for the general collecting fraternity, Harry L. Lindquist, President, National Federation of Stamp Club. James F. Kelleher, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General and Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., Director of the Division of Philately, of the U. S. Post Office Department, have been invited to participate in the ceremony. The UNPA will have an air mail exhibition on view in the room in which the ceremony is held, and also will have the new stamps for sale and will cancel covers for those attending the ceremony. Mr. Sanborn, the designer of the new stamp, and many other distinguished personages will be present at the ceremony and be introduced.

Following the Ceremony, a luncheon will be held in the West Terrace of the Delegates Dining Area in the UN, and anyone wishing to attend may obtain a reservation by writing to Geo. D. Kingdom, P. O. Box 37, Conneaut, Ohio.

The subscription is \$5.00 and your reservation must be received by June 1st. There will be an informal speaking program and introductions at the luncheon. Those attending the luncheon will receive a special souvenir program.

The June issue of *The Airpost Journal*, official publication of the AAMS, is being dedicated to the UN, and under the editorship of Joseph L. Eisendrath, Jr. will contain several feature articles concerning philately and the United Nations.

## Supplement to Free China Catalog

SUPPLEMENT IV to the *Postage Stamp Catalogue of the Republic of China* (English Version) has recently been published, and may be obtained for 25c from the Bank of China, 198 Worth Street, New York 13, N. Y.

The original catalog is probably still available from them also. It covered the issues from 1878 to March 1956, and price was \$1.50. The three earlier supplements were 25c each.

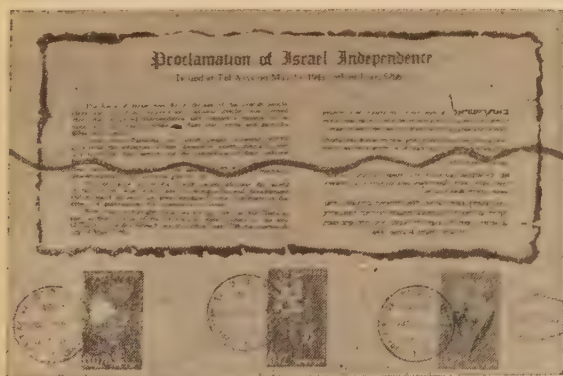
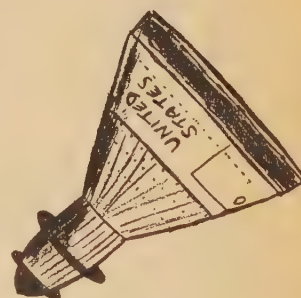
## K-Line Album Supplements

THREE new supplements have just been published by the K-Line Publishing, Inc., 1433 S. Cuyler Ave., Berwyn, Illinois. These are Czechoslovakia Supplement #8, eleven pages, \$1.15; Philippines #2, six pages, 60c; and Poland #5, fourteen pages, \$1.45.

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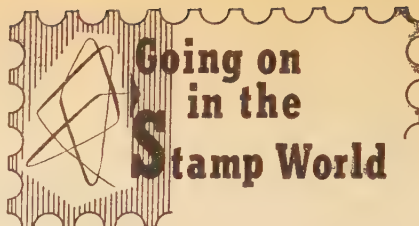
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**May 22—Israel Stamp Society** meeting  
at Cayuga Savings & Loan Society, 47th  
& City Line Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.  
*Michael Deouell* will discuss Recent Eco-  
nomic Developments in Israel.

**May 23—Philadelphia Electric Stamp  
Club** meeting at 7:30 P.M., at Howard  
McCall Field, Highland Park, Pa. Guest  
speaker will be *Earl P. L. Apfelbaum*.

**May 24—St. Petersburg Stamp Club**  
meeting at office of Bache & Co., 556  
Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida.

**May 24—Atlanta Stamp Collectors  
Club** will hold Swapfest at 7 P.M., at  
Red Cross Bldg., 848 Peachtree St. NE,  
Atlanta, Ga.

**May 24—Portland Stamp Club** will  
have showing of A.P.S. Philatelic Slides.

**May 26-28—7th Annual Philatelic  
Exhibition for Border Armed Forces  
Philatelic Society** in Building #5008,  
Entertainment Workshop, Fort Bliss,

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Sat.—1 P.M. to 10 P.M.; and Sun.—  
1 P.M. to 6 P.M.

**May 27-29—Postmaster General of  
Mexico** to be guest of COMPEX, LaSalle  
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**June 2—Garfield-Perry Stamp Club**  
meeting, 8 P.M., Manger Hotel, Cleve-  
land, Ohio. A.P.S. Slide Lecture, Do-  
minion of Canada, Part II. Material and  
narration by *Wolfgang Fritzsche*.

**June 5—British Empire Study Group**  
meeting, 8 P.M., Collectors Club, 22  
E. 35th St., New York City. *Nathan  
Hale* will talk on Rates and Rate Mark-  
ings of Anglo-French commerce in early  
19th Century.

**June 6—France and Colonies Group**  
meeting at Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th  
St., New York City. *Louise Clemenc*  
to show collection of Reunion.

**June 12—Metco Stamp Club** meeting,  
5 P.M., at Metropolitan Life Insurance  
Co., 1 Madison Ave., City Mortgage  
Conference Room, Area 9-B, South Bldg.,  
New York City.

**June 16—Westchester County Philatelic  
Society** meeting, 8:30 P.M., YMCA, 250  
Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, New  
York.

**June 17-18—Kansas Precancel Society**  
Northwest Kansas Regional Exhibition,  
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**June 23—Minnehaha Stamp Club** swap  
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The Michigan Stamp Club held its  
47th Annual Exhibition in Detroit, Mich-  
igan, March 25-26, 1961. Charles J.  
Starnes of Midland, exhibited *Depart-*  
*mental Special Cancels* in the Court of  
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best exhibit by a member of the Mich-  
igan Stamp Club went to C. Wesley  
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the following: R. E. Barnhart, York,  
Pa., for *Disinfected Mail—Europe 14th*  
*to 19th Century*; Kenneth L. Brown,  
Detroit, for *Arms of Finland*; J. T.  
Edger, Grand Rapids, for *British Inland*  
*Airmails*; John M. Schumacher, Canada,  
*Tete-Beche and Se-Tenent of Switzerland*;  
Robert H. Schoen, Saginaw, *Early Covers*  
*of Washtenaw County, Michigan*; Ronald  
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1961. Wilson J. Frazier, Detroit, was  
elected president, and Mrs. Joan Horvath,  
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By P. H. THORP

IN DECEMBER 1960 a new U. S. envelope contract was drawn which will bring to envelope collectors a change in the watermark from the simple monogram letters "U S" with the year date entwined between the letters which has been used from 1915 through 1960. The new watermark, as announced by the Post Office Department, will consist of large letters "U S" followed or preceded by a star.

We are informed that the paper from which the envelopes are made will also be different. It will be whiter than before, the result of cutting down from fifteen to five percent in the amount of unbleached wood pulp in the paper.

There will be no need to use a benzine cup to see the watermark. Just hold the envelope before a light and it will be clearly seen.

Coming so closely after a number of new envelope issues, this watermark offers a promising area of interest for collectors. The present

four-cent envelopes were introduced in 1958. The 7c jet airmail, the 1¼c, and the 2½c envelopes were issued less than a year ago. Now all will become obsolete. Collectors should not delay getting all of these issues, for soon they will disappear from post office windows and be replaced with the new issue. Get them in all the sizes available: two for each denomination (sizes 6¾ and 10); and for window envelopes, these same two sizes plus size #9.

Now that we are to have new watermarked paper for our envelopes, it is a fairly safe guess that it will not be long before we have new designs for the envelope stamps. So, watch out! These old stamp designs on the new watermarked paper may have one of the shortest periods of issue in philatelic history!

Speaking of envelopes with a short life, remember those airmails with the 7c blue skymaster airplane. They were manufactured for only a few months before they were re-

placed with the current red jets.

All these changes and developments in envelope collecting are presenting a new challenge and bringing fresh interest to this branch of philately. Since the re-valuing took place in 1958, thousands of collectors have turned their attention to envelopes and have found it a fascinating new field to explore. New designs, new values, and new colors have been introduced, all within the last two years. And now watermarks! These intriguing hidden devices made to foil counterfeiters are almost forgotten among the present generation of stamp collectors because the U. S. stopped watermarking its adhesive stamps way back in 1916. But not our stamped envelopes! The watermark has been a feature of U. S. envelopes ever since the first ones were issued back in the summer of 1853, and it remained the same until 1870, the seventeen-year period when the first manufacturer, George F. Nesbitt, was producing them. Beginning in 1870 the practice of changing the watermark was instituted by George H. Reay. The Plimpton Manufacturing Company, who obtained the contract in 1874, continued Reay's watermark for its first four years;

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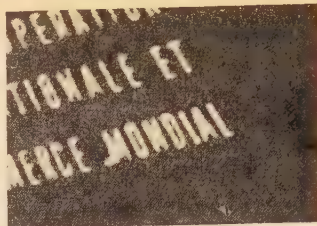
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## Scandinavian Collectors Group of England Conducts Auctions

THE Scandinavian Collectors' Group (London), which publishes *The Scandinavian Contact*, announced with their March 1961 issue that they would henceforth have postal auctions as a regular feature. No lots will be sent out for viewing, but postal bidders are at liberty to reject any lot within 48 hours of receipt, provided the material is returned in the same condition as sent. The latest auction was April 29, 1961; the material in them is of course Scandinavian. The auction lists are available to anyone sending for them.

*The Scandinavian Contact* is published four times a year, and can be subscribed for at \$1.75 a year. It carries articles and general information on Scandinavian philately. Subscriptions can be sent to the editor, who will also gladly furnish information on membership: *Herbert T. Pritchett, 3 Mark's Avenue, Ongar, Essex, England.*

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Erik Lehmann came down from New York especially to introduce the show to our members and others. He left on Tuesday, April 18th, after spending a week in Trinidad, his first visit to tropical America.

—Harold E. Box, Hon. Sec'y.

## Antarctica Cover

FROM Jack R. Treutle, of Keyser, West Virginia, we have a photostat of a cover with cachet of the USCGC Eastwind—Operation Deepfreeze 1961, postmarked "Amundsen Sea Coast, Antarctica, Mar. 4, 1961 U.S.N." and the "U. S. Navy/Operation/Deep Freeze" canceller in three lines. Mr. Treutle advises this was a one-time only postmark.

Mr. Treutle is one of the leaders in the American Society of Polar Philatelists, founded in 1956 to study and record polar postal history. They publish *Ice Cap News* six times a year, with articles related to this field, past, present, and future events being included. Dues are \$2.00 a year. Further information from John C. Krolak, 166 West 10th St., Bayonne, N. J.

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The 20c Parcel Post stamp, showing a biplane, was the first postage stamp of any country to show an airplane; we even spelled it "aeroplane" in those days. It was released for use on December 16, 1912.

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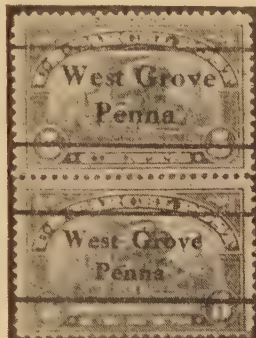
stamps. The regular issue plates and handstamps were too small. Mimeographs, dateds, errors, doubles, dues, unusual typesets. The field is almost endless. Owing to the short life of the issue, it is fairly free of favors, fakes, and what have you. They do exist but examples of many are really hard to find.

How many of you type or State specialists have these items? Types 2-3-4, from Decatur, Iowa, dated; types 5-6-7-8, from West Grove, Pa., on those special size, typeset plates. How many of you North Carolina specialists have ever seen Type 1 from Elon College, N. C.? There are many Parcel Post precancels just as good as the aforementioned.

Not all Parcel Post precancels are hard to find. I suppose many of you wonder why the 1c value of Wichita, Kans., in Type 5 (the only precancel used on the Parcel Post values) is plentiful. Thousands, perhaps even a million, samples of Mentholatum went out under that precancel to all parts of the United States and Canada.

Type 1 of Paducah was a special set-up of the plate to show only one impression on the Parcel Posts. The "K" of Kentucky "falls directly under the "P" of "Paducah." The lines are 18 mm. long and the imprint shows only once on the stamp. On your regular issue plate the "K" of "Kentucky" is slightly to the left of the "P" of "Paducah," and the lines are 16 mm. long. Those Parcel Posts should be listed as types 1A, in the manner of Cincinnati types 4 and 4A, where the plate was re-set for use on the Parcel Post stamps.

West Grove, Penna, a heavy precancel user of the period, used five types of special size typeset plates on the Parcel Post, Types 4 to 8. Type 4, the most used, is not too hard to find, but Types 5 to 8



are far scarcer than catalog prices indicate. The catalog lists these Types 5 to 8 as used only on the 4c Parcel Post. I have never seen the 4c value in Types 5, 6, 7 or 8. The few I have seen are all the 5c value.

I am of the opinion that Types 5 to 8 were all used in the same typeset plate, and the vertical se-tenant pair substantiates this theory but is not final proof. The top stamp of the pair is Type 6, "West Grove" 23mm. long, 14mm between lines. The bottom stamp, same style of type in smaller font, "West Grove" 21mm. long, 12.5mm. between lines. "Penna" is 2mm. shorter on the bottom stamp. No period is shown after "Penna." on either stamp.

The variations in the size of "G" in "Grove" are to be noted also. What I think happened is this: the printer was called on to set up a plate for use on the Parcel Post. He probably did not have enough type in one font to set it up and used four very similar fonts of type in setting the plate. I would like to hear from collectors who have any of these. Do any other pairs or blocks exist showing different types? Was the 4c value precanceled in Types 6, 7, or 8?

Greenville, Texas (Type 1) was rather a heavy user of precancels in the early days. Hudspeth Dry Goods Company of Greenville, used precancels. The 75c invert is easily the scarcest of the Greenville Parcel Posts; probably the least used of the values.

Paris, Texas, Type 1; Paris used only one Parcel Post value, the 25c, and the catalog price indicates it is the best stamp in Type 1. No information is available as to firm use at Paris, so most likely it was Christmas use. Perhaps, like several other places where typeset plates were used in the early days, the postmaster printed the local paper, had his own print shop, and typeset plates were used as matter of convenience in precanceling stamps for Christmas use. It was almost a custom in days gone by to have the local editor holding down the postmaster's job if his political affiliations were right.

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**ARGENTINA**—On May 13, 1961, a 2 pesos stamp was issued to commemorate the centenary of the birth of *Rahindranath Tagore*. The design, by *Horacio Alvarez Boero*, shows a portrait of the Indian poet. The stamps were printed by photogravure in two colors at the State Mint, in sheets of 100, edition three million. —*Secretary of Communications*

**AUSTRIA** — *Maurice Feldman*, New York, advises that the 1.50s Austrian Freedom Fighters stamp, which was reported here on May 13, 1961, became valid on May 13, 1961.

**BARBADOS**—Through the courtesy of the *Crown Agents Representative*, Washington, D. C., we have received copies of the 4c, 8c, and 24c Deep Water Harbor commemorative set which was issued on May 6, 1961, as reported in our issue of April 29, 1961.

**BASTUOLAND**—*A. M. Grant* of Rushstamps, Hants, England, reports that he has received a supply of the 2½c on 3d with thinner letters and smaller overprint. *Mr. Grant* advises that the 2½c on 3d should be obsolete as there is a

definitive of this value and that the first type was printed with a thick bold overprint.

**BECHUANALAND**—We are advised by *A. M. Grant*, Hants, England, that latest supplies of the 1c Postage Due appear to be about 2½ times as large as the first overprint.

**CANADA**—On June 28, 1961 a 5c bi-colored commemorative will be issued for the 10th anniversary of the Colombo Plan (reported fully on May 13, 1961). The stamps will be printed in sheets of 50.

—*Canadian Post Office*

**CHILE**—Our thanks to *Jose Galetovic*, Santiago, for information and mint stamps of the four-value portrait set which was issued in the following denominations and subjects: E. 0.05+0.05, *Pedro de Valdivia*; E. 0.10+0.10, *Jose Toribio Medina*; E. 0.10+0.10, *Alonso de Ercilla*; and E. 0.20+0.20, *Gabriela Mistral*. The set was printed without charge by the Spanish Mint in an edition of eleven million. *Mr. Galetovic* advises that the Government intends to raise funds by selling the set to collectors only, since

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CHINA (FORMOSA)—On May 20, 1961, two stamps and a souvenir sheet were issued to commemorate the first anniversary of the inauguration of President Chiang Kai-Shek's third term (forecast April 1, 1961). The 0.80 stamps bears the President's portrait and the map of the Republic of China inscribed on which are four Chinese characters meaning "Recovery of the Mainland." The 2.00 denomination has the President's portrait as the central subject. The souvenir sheet will carry the two stamps. They were printed by photogravure.

The second and third series of Ancient Chinese Art Treasures (forecast December 31, 1961) will be released in twelve different designs during 1961. The complete series will consist of eighteen denominations; series I was released in two parts—three stamps on February 1, 1961, and three on May 1, 1961.

—Directorate General of Posts

COSTA RICA—Nicolas Sanabria Co., Inc., New York, reports that a sheet of the 1 col value of the industries set of 1954, Scott #C241, was found imperforate in the Post Office in San Jose. Sanabria adds that imperforates of De La Due printings are rare.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Our thanks to Frank Strouhal, Chrudin, for a first day cover dated April 13, 1961, with the 60h and 3 Kcs First Flight stamps which were reported here on May 13, 1961. We also thank Frank Strouhal for a first day cover dated April 24, 1961, with the set issued for the 150th anniversary of the Prague Conservatory of Music: 30h flute player, 30h dancer, and 60h lyre player.

ETHIOPIA—The 80c Africa Freedom Day stamp which was released on April 15, 1961 (reported April 15, 1961) was printed in sheets of 10.

May 5, 1961, is the 20th anniversary of Liberation, and the 20c, 30c, and Eth \$1.- stamps (reported April 15, 1961) which will commemorate this occasion will be released on a date which has not yet been announced.

—Ethiopia Philatelic Agency, N. Y.

FINLAND—Our thanks to Sulo Antila, Tampere, for a first day cover dated May 4, 1961, with the 12smk stamp of Turku Castle which was issued in the current series (reported April 1, 1961).

FRANCE—On May 8, 1961, a 0.50 centime stamp will be issued honoring the World Federation of War Veterans. The design, a symbolic one, incorporates various symbols of peace for the world. Also on May 8, 1961, a 0.20 centime stamp will be released picturing the town of Bagnole de l'Orne.

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**GHANA**—The £1 Antelope stamp and the revised ½d and 3d values of the 1959 Definitive Series (reported April 15, 1961) were released on April 29, 1961. The old ½d and 3d values were withdrawn from sale on this same date.

The designers of the Freedom Day issue of April 15, 1961, (reported April 15 and May 6, 1961) are as follows: 3d *Michael Goaman*, England, 6d *A.S.B. New*, England, and 2/- *Willie W. Wind*, U.S.A.

Tema Harbor will be opened in 1962; therefore, the Tema Harbor issue will not appear in 1961.

—Ghana Philatelic Agency, N. Y.

**HAITI**—The Jet Airplane sheet with "OFFICIEL" overprint was only issued in cancelled condition; however, a few sheets without this cancellation have been found.

—Nicolas Sanabria Co., Inc., N. Y.

**HUNGARY**—The 1ft and 2ft stamps issued April 25, 1961, to commemorate the first space flight (reported and shown here on May 13, 1961) were printed by photogravure in editions of 240,000 perforated and 10,000 imperforated sets.

On April 29, 1961, 1ft and 2ft stamps were released to commemorate the first of May. The stamps, showing roses, were printed by photogravure in quantities of 1,500,000 perforated and 15,000 imperforated sets. Also on April 29, 1961, a 1ft stamp in the Portraits 1961 series was released. The stamp depicts Kilian Gyorgy (1907-1943), an anti-fascist freedom fighter, and was issued to commemorate the inauguration of the Kilian Gy-

orgy Sports movement. It was printed by photogravure in editions of 5,700,000 perforated and 10,000 imperforated copies. Our thanks to *Philatelia Hungarica* for information and first day covers with the foregoing issues.

*Philatelia Hungarica* advises that four stamps (20f, 60f, 80f, 2ft) will be issued during the latter part of May, 1961, to commemorate the Soviet space rocket launched towards the planet Venus. The stamps are being printed by photogravure in editions of 240,000 perforated and 10,000 imperforated sets.

**INDIA**—Our thanks to *Mahendra H. Shah*, Madras, for a first day cover dated May 6, 1961, with the 15nP stamp issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Motilal Nehru as reported here on April 29 and May 13, 1961.

**JUGOSLAVIA**—A Red Cross Stamp set was issued on May 7, 1961, consisting of a 2 dinars yellow, red, orange-brown and dark brown stamp and a 2 dinars yellow, red, orange-brown and dark green tax stamp. The design, by Beograd Bogdan Krasic, shows intertwined arms symbolizing voluntary blood donation. The first of these stamps was printed in an edition of 3,500,000 copies, perf.; the second, 1,000,000 copies, perf. Both stamps were printed in sheets of 60, 20,000 copies, imperf. It was obligatory to use both stamps on all internal mail from their date of issue until May 13, 1961.

On May 15, 1961, a 25 dinars stamp was issued for the International Conference on Nuclear Energy. The design, by *Borivoje Lazarevic*, shows the emblem of the International Atomic Energy Agency. It was printed by a combination of taille-douce and offset, in sheets of 50, edition one million.

—Director General of P.T.T.

**KOREA (SOUTH)** — A 40 Hwan stamp and miniature sheet were issued on May 6, 1961, to commemorate the International Conference on Community Development held in Seoul. The design, by *Kang, Choon Whan*, shows people working in the sunlight and the emblem



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of Community Development. It was printed by lithography at the Korean Government Printing Agency on granite paper watermarked with the Korean Postal Emblem, in sheets of 50, perf.  $13\frac{1}{2}$ , edition 500,000. The miniature sheets were printed in an edition of 50,000.

**NICARAGUA**—On May 16, 1961, twelve stamps will be released to commemorate the XIII Regional Congress of the Junior Chamber of Nicaragua and International Junior Chamber in the following values, subjects and editions: 2c Map of the Americas (1,500,000), 3c Chamber Coat of Arms (1,500,000), 4c Globe (1,500,000), 5c Chamber Credo (1,500,000), 6c Handclasp (1,500,000), 10c Regional Map (1,000,000),

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—Nicaraguan Philatelic Agency, Inc.

**NIGERIA**—The following new Postal stationery has been issued: 3d stamped envelopes; 3d and 6d airletter sheets.

A commemorative issue honoring the UPU will be released in July 1961 in the following values: 3d, 6d, 1/3 and 2/6.  
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**PANAMA**—Our thanks to J. B. Wright, of Panama, for a first day cover dated May 2, 1961, with the 3c, 5c, 10c, and 21c stamps which were issued to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Lions Club.

**PANAMA**—A souvenir sheet issued on March 7, 1961, to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the United Nations has been discovered without a serial number.

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**PHILIPPINES**—On May 2, 1961, four stamps were issued for the 2nd National Boy Scout Jamboree at Pasonanca Park (10th World Jamboree). These stamps, reported here May 13, 1961, were surcharged to the following values: 10 centavos, 30c; Tete Beche—10c and 30c. Our thanks to Chan Hoan Chay and Fernando Francisco, of Manila, for information and first day covers with this issue.

Chan Hoan Chay advises that the next stamp issue will be on June 19, 1961, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Dr. Jose Rizal.

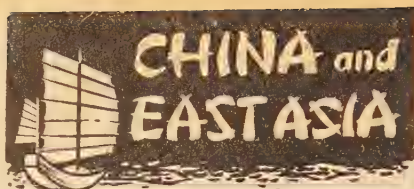
**POLAND**—We are indebted to the Poland Philatelic Agency, Great Neck, N. Y., for a mint set of the 40gr and 60gr stamps which were issued on April 27, 1961, to honor the First Space Flight made by the Soviets (reported May 13, 1961).

**ROMANIA**—Through the courtesy of CARTIMEX we have received information and stamp copies of the following issues:

On March 18, 1961, a seven-value Mountain Sports set was issued to commemorate the 50th Jubilee of Romanian skiing. The stamps, designed by H. Meschendorfer, were printed by heliotype on chalky paper in sheets of 100, perforated, in the following values and subjects: 10 bani, Run down; 20 bani, slalom; 25 bani, Group of skiers climbing; 40 bani, Bob-sleighbing; 55 bani, Ski-jumper; 1 leu, Tourist descending with rope; 1.55 lei, Ski runner.

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**RUSSIA**—Our thanks to the *Philatelic Department*, Moscow, for information and stamps of each of the following issues: April 7, 1961, a 4 kopeks stamp designed by *S. F. Sokolow* to commemorate the 50th jubilee of the *Pjatnitsly Chorus*; a 6 kopeks stamp designed by *E. N. Komarov* to commemorate the centenary of the magazine *Vokrug Sveta*; and a 6 kopeks stamp designed by *A. V. Zavjalov* to commemorate the First Flight of a Soviet Rocket towards the planet Venus on Feb. 12, 1961. April 15, 1961, the 40k Friendship University stamp, issued on November 18, 1960, re-issued surcharged 4k and with overprint "imeny Lumumby". The University has been re-named after Lumumba, the late pro-communist Congo leader. April 15—4 kopeks and 6 kopeks stamps, designed by *J. Levin*, were issued in honor of the African Freedom Day.

In addition to the 10 kopeks stamp which was issued on April 12, 1961, to commemorate the first space flight (reported and shown here April 29, 1961), two other stamps were released on this date, 3 kopeks and 6 kopeks, both honoring this space flight. They were designed by *J. Levin*.

**RYUKYU ISLANDS**—Our thanks to *Meiso Mizuhara*, Tokyo, Japan, and *Joseph V. Bush*, Chula Vista, California, for first day covers dated May 1, 1961, with the 3c Ryukyus Forestation Stamp which was reported here February 18, 1961.

**SPAIN**—Our thanks to *Carlos Lenze* and the firm of *M. Galvez*, of Madrid, for first day covers dated May 6, 1961, with the 25cts, 1 pta and 10 ptas stamps issued for World Stamp Day (reported May 13, 1961).

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